

In re Application of:

Shinichi TSUKIDA, et al.

Application No.: 10/648,285

Filed: August 27, 2003

For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND
CONTROL METHOD FOR THE IMAGE
FORMING APPARATUS

Docket No. 03500.017513

Confirmation No.: 4448

Examiner: William J. Royer

Group Art Unit: 2852

Date: May 9, 2005
(Monday)

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
Post Office Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment** in the above-identified application.

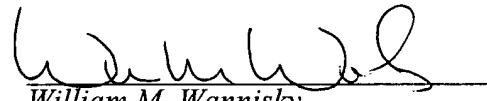
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	27	MINUS	37	= 0	x \$25 \$50	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	7	= 0	x \$100 \$200	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360						\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

- Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
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- Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

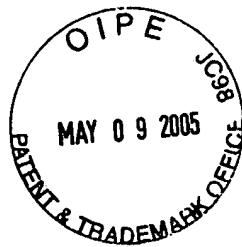


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 7, 2005, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application, as follows.

Amendments to the Title:

Please replace the title of the invention with the following new title:

IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS FEATURING A DEVELOPER CARRYING
MEMBER WITH A CONTROLLED OPERATION TIME AND RELATED CONTROL
METHOD